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1. GOI (REF A) SHOULD READ GOT REPEAT GOT.

2. WITH REGARD TO FAULKNER' S SUGGESTIONS TO PM KIRK RE INDONESIA, FAULKNER SAID IN REPORTING HIS DISCUSSION WITH GENERAL PANGGABEAN THAT QUOTE WE DISCUSSED, IN GENERAL TERMS, A NUMBER OF AREAS IN WHICH INDONESIA AND NEW ZEALAND MIGHT ASSIST EACH OTHER IN THE DEFENSE FIELD-- TRAINING, SMALL JOINT EXERCISES, CIVIC ACTION WORK, AND SO ON-- AND I BELIEVE WE SHOULD FOLLOW UP THESE IDEAS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE END QUOTE.

3. IN ADDITION, FOLLOWING HIS CALL ON PRESIDENT SUHARTO, HE SAID QUOTE THE ARMED FORCES PLAY, AND INTEND TO CONTINUE TO PLAY, AN OVERWHELMINGLY DOMINANT ROLE IN EVERY ASPECT OF INDONESIA' S LIFE. INDEED, IT WAS DIFFICULT, AT TIMES, TO SEE ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN INNER QUOTE STATE END INNER QUOTE AND THE INNER QUOTE ARMED FORCES END INNER QUOTE. IF WE ARE TO DEVELOP A CLOSER
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RELATIONSHIP WITH INDONESIA, IT MUST, PRIMARILY, BE THROUGH THE ARMED FORCES FOR THEY MAKE THE RUNNING ON EVERY ASPECT OF INDONESIAN ADMINISTRATION. THIS IS WHERE AN ATTACHE IN JAKARTA WILL BE INVALUABLE IN FACILITATING OUR CONTACTS WITH THE INQUIRED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT AIT COULD CARRY OUT RESEARCH FOR THEIR CORPORATIONS, (AFFIRMATIVE) AND REQUESTED FURTHER DETAILS WITH REGARD TO SUBVENTION OF ASIAN STUDENTS. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE GROUP WERE INTRIGUED WITH CONTEMPLATED COMPUTERIZED LIBRARY. BENDIX CORPORATION WAS PARTICULARLY TAKEN WITH TYING THE LIBRARY INTO SATELLITE FACILITIES AND BOTH BENDIX PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT CONFIRMED THEIR INTENTION TO DO A SATELLITE USAGE FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SEA AT NO COST. (IT WAS OPINION OF BOTH HUGHES AIRCRAFT CO. AND BEDIX THAT SEA SHOULD MAKE A QUANTUM JUMP FROM THE USUAL AND COSTLY METHODS OF COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTLY TO SATELLITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND RESEARCH CAPACITY WITHOUT THE EXPENSES AND ERRORS ON THE INTERMEDIATE STAGES)

11. THE TEAM EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE US WAS IN PROCESS OF DEMINISHING ITS PARTICIPATION IN AIT. THEY POINTED OUT THAT AN INSTITUTE SUCH AS AIT WAS A PERFECT PLACE TO INTRODUCE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS TO AMERICAN EQUIPMENT AND IT SHOULD BE REALIZED

THAT IN LATER YEARS THE SCIENTIST OR TECHNOLOGIST GENERALLY BUYS EQUIPMENT HE HAS BEEN TRAINED ON AND IS USED TO. IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE TEAM THAT THE US STAGING DOWN SUPPORT TO AIT WAS AN ERROR AND ONE PLACE WHERE IT WAS COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO THE US TO LOWER ITS IMAGE. THE GROUP PLANNED TO ENCOURAGE CONTINUED US PARTICIPATION IN AIR ON THEIR VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

12. GROUP II WAS SEEN OFF AT THE AIRPORT FOR SINGAPORE FOR SINGAPORE BY DR. SIRILAK. WHO PRESENTED MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION TOKENS OF THE VISIT.

13. FINALLY, IT MUST BE MENTIONED THAT GREAT CREDIT IS DUE TO THE RTG FOR HAVING CARRIED OFF THE EXTRAORDINARILY DIFFICULT AND COMPLEX ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MOVEMENT, SECURITY, AND LOGISTICS OF THREE SEPARATED GROUPS OF THE TEAM WITHOUT A FLAW AND WITH GREAT WARMTH OF GOOD WILL. THIS WAS NOTED AND APPRECIATED BY THE SEATAC TEAM. UNGER

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